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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated **July 23, 2003** that resulted in Applicant having claims that have been twice or finally rejected.

The fee (\$165.00) for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)), along with any necessary extension fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)), is included in our Check No. 6492. In the event that extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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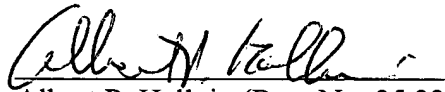
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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 05871.0002.CNUS05. A duplicate copy of this Notice is attached.

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